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COLUMBIA MAN SENTENCED FOR DISTRIBUTING CRACK COCAINE

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Columbia, Mo., man was sentenced in federal court today for distributing crack cocaine in Boone County.

Kenneth E. Jackson, 28, of Columbia, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Scott O. Wright this afternoon to three years in federal prison without parole.

On Sept. 19, 2003, **Jackson** pleaded guilty to distributing five grams or more of crack cocaine in Boone County on Jan. 13, 2000. By pleading guilty, Graves said, **Jackson** admitted that he sold crack cocaine to an undercover law enforcement officer.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Jim Lynn. It was investigated by MUSTANG (the Mid-Missouri Unified Strike Team And Narcotics Group) and the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

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